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MINUTES

—OF THE—

Third Annual Convention

CONFEDERATED

SOUTHERN MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

First Day.

DALLAS, TEX., April 22, 1902.

The Third Annual Convention of the Confederate Southern Memorial Association was opened with memorial services held in memory of Jefferson Davis, at St. Matthew's Cathedral, at 10 o'clock a. m., when Bishop Alexander C. Garrett, D. D., LL. D., delivered the following eloquent address. He said:

"All great events are intimately connected with the men who take the principal part in them. It is given to very few of the great men of the world to see the full significance of the movements in which they are engaged. Neither is it permitted to us to

foresee the good results which often ensue from disastrous failure. When the heathen Saxons overran England and founded the heptarchy upon the ruins of British religion and rights, no one could then foretell that out of this disaster the Anglo Saxon race should arise to dominate civilized humanity in these latter days. Constitutions of small States, though right in themselves, are often too narrow in the base to allow of future development. This was the case with the original Constitution of the United States. There can be no room for question that each sovereign State reserved to itself the right to withdraw from the Union. Nor is there room for doubt that he, whose memory we revere to-day, stood well within his constitutional right when he so affirmed. The original Constitution contained within itself the seeds of its own dissolution. The great Civil War discovered the fact, and by the terrible argument of the sword in the hands of overwhelming numbers, eliminated them forever. Had the sovereign rights of the individual States been maintained, the unity of the English-speaking race which to day may dictate terms to the whole world, could never have been effected. The boy, well born, educated in the best schools of his day, rich in personal experience of war, familiar with the arts of peaceful industry, trained in the statesmanship of the Union, familiar with the duties of a Cabinet Minister, clear of intellect, gentle to the humblest, equal to the noblest, was well qualified to take up the grave and solemn obligation of the high position to which he was elected as President of the Confederate States. Few were his equals in the day of his power, and none his superior in the hour of defeat. It is easy to dwell in glowing terms upon the glory of those who, with

unlimited resources and sustained by constantly increasing numbers, come marching back in triumph from the fray. The tread of serried ranks shakes the solid pavement as they pass with flying banners, gleaming helmets, beating drums, whistling fifes and all the blare of trumpets. This indeed is the pomp and circumstance of glorious war. But vastly more imposing to my limited range of vision is the silent and sad return of those scarred veterans of a hundred fights who met and defeated often three times their number on many a hard fought field in defense of their homes, their mothers, their wives, their sweethearts—return to ruined cities and the smoking ashes of their once beautiful estates. Here it was that Davis and Lee and Johnston and the rest loomed up large before the world, and left to humanity an example of greatness of character unequalled before or since. But whatever may be said in poetry or prose of those half clad, half starved and wholly noble Confederate soldiers, it is at the feet of the women of the South that the greatest tribute of admiration should be laid. These ladies of high birth and gentle breeding, educated in foreign schools and brought up in the enjoyment of wealth and luxury, with a spirit greater than the greatest turned their white hands to menial labor. With their own fair fingers they made shoes of saddle skirts for their fighting brothers, cut their finest carpets into blankets, sewed the homespun into clothing, and while they buried their treasured family silver to save it from conquering robbers, they worked the soil to draw from its prolific breast nourishment for themselves and children. These were the greatest sufferers, these the peerless heroines of the world's history. Preserve your organization and hand on to posterity the priceless treasure of a stainless name."



The anthem, "What Are These That Are Arrayed in White Robes," was sung by the choir.

The bishop proceeded to the altar and said the prayer for the President of the United States and gave the benediction. "The Nunc Dimittis" was sung and the services closed with the recessional hymn 96, which the choir sang softly and sweetly.

After the close of the beautiful service the delegates and officers gathered in Cumberland Presbyterian church, corner Hargrove and Commerce streets, where the Credential Committee provided badges for delegates and officers, after which the Convention was called to order and led in prayer by Mrs. W. J. Behan, President.

The annual call sent to all Memorial Associations on April 8, 1902, herein published, was read:

"Dear Madam—The third annual convention of the Confederate Southern Memorial Association will be held in Dallas, Texas, during the U. C. V. reunion, April 22, 23, 24, 25. The opening exercises will consist of a memorial service, in honor of President Davis in the Episcopal cathedral, South Eway street, at 9:30 a. m., Tuesday, April 22. After this memorial service the delegates will proceed in a body to the veterans' convention hall, where they will join the proceedings, until the noon recess.

"At 2 p. m. sharp the first business reunion of the C. S. M. A. will be held in the auditorium of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, corner Commerce and Harwood streets.

"Headquarters of the confederation will be the Oriental Hotel, corner Commerce and Akard streets. Each association is requested to send a design for badge or pin, with estimate of cost. The designs are

to be passed upon by the badge committee, and one selected as the insignia of the C. S. M. A. An annual report is expected from each association.

"Inclosed in this letter you will find two certificates, which are to be filled out and signed by the president and secretary of your local association. One is to be sent to Miss Daisy M. L. Hodgson, recording secretary, C. S. M. A., No. 1816 St. Charles avenue, New Orleans, La., the other to be brought by one of your delegates to the convention.

"Please ask your local paper to publish notice of your convention, time and place of meeting, etc. Hoping your association will be represented, and that we will have a pleasant and profitable convention.

Very sincerely yours,

SUE H. WALKER,

Cor. Sec'y C. S. M. A."

\* A quorum being present, on motion the President appointed the following committees:

Credential Committee—Mrs. W. A. Hurst, Baton Rouge; Mrs. Jeff. D. Williams, Fayetteville, Ark.; Mrs. J. B. Richardson, New Orleans, La.

Resolution Committee—Mrs. Lewis Graham, chairman, New Orleans, La.; Mrs. W. J. Hayden, Springfield, Mo.; Miss Belle Morris, Mexico, Mo.

#### GREETINGS.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., April 22, 1902.

President C. S. M. Ass'n, Oriental Hotel, Dallas, Tex.:

Ladies' Memorial Association send greetings.—  
Psalm 90, 1-17 verses.

MARTINSBURG, W. Va., Nov. 21, 1901.

Mrs. W. J. Behan:

My Dear Madam—The United Daughters of the Confederacy assembled in Wilmington send greet-

ings to the C. S. M. Association, appreciating the work of that body of noble women, who for years have carried on the work of our loved cause, and is now associated with us in the erection of the Jefferson Davis Monument. I am the newly elected Corresponding Secretary, and if at any time I can assist you in your work I am at your disposal.

Sincerely yours,  
MRS. VIRGINIA F. MCSHERRY. .

STAUNTON, VA., April 16, 1902.

*To Mrs. W. J. Behan, President Confederated Southern Memorial Association:*

Dear Madam—Will you present to your members assembled in annual convention my warm personal greetings and my heartiest thanks on the part of the Jefferson Davis Monument Association for their generous support in words and deeds, in contributing and soliciting for the Davis monument fund. Recalling with pleasure your sessions in Memphis, I regret not being with you this year again.

With loving good wishes for you and your association, praying peace and prosperity in all your province,

I am faithfully yours,  
NELLIE HOTCHKISS McCULLOUGH.

After the reading of greetings, on motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 2 p. m. in Cumberland Presbyterian church.

DAISY M. L. HODGSON, Sec'y.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, }  
DALLAS, Texas, April 22, 1902, 2 p. m. }

Convention called and led in prayer by Mrs. W. J. Behan, president; Roll call, Quorum present, Minutes of morning session read and approved.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

Address of Mrs. W. J. Behan, President, Confederated Southern Memorial Association.

Dear Sisters and Co-Workers:

It affords me great pleasure to meet you at this our 3rd annual convention and to congratulate you on the splendid work that has been accomplished during the year. We have increased in strength and numbers, and now have thirty-five associations enrolled under our banner. There seems to be a revival of interest in all Confederate work. This is shown by our increase in the membership of the different associations and the organization of many others, particularly in the State of Missouri, where the women are so loyal and so zealous. We must persevere in our efforts to interest other memorial associations, it is recommended that each vice-president undertake this work which is, indeed a duty that we owe to the women, who worked and suffered and prayed during the four years of our heroic struggle for the Right and Justice. The one great object of this Confederated Southern Memorial Association is to unite in one fold all memorial associations that existed during the years 1861-1865 or were formed after the close of the war, in order that their identity will be pre-

served and their work recorded. In some places there are but a few faithful and devoted women, still banded together, let them keep up an undying interest in the work commenced by them. I would recommend also that the associations hold more frequent meetings in order to keep in touch with the many propositions that may be suggested in connection with our work.

It is a great pleasure to be here with our veterans, to commingle with them, and listen to the inspiring and patriotic words of these gallant heroes of so many hard fought battles. We too are veterans; our hardships, it is true, were suffered far from the field of battle, but our experiences at home and at the bedside of the sick and wounded soldiers justly entitle us to that honored name.

We are deeply grateful for the hospitable reception accorded us by the patriotic citizens of this beautiful City and to the Dallas Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy, we are particularly indebted for many courtesies and attentions which will cause us to take away the most pleasant recollections of the Dallas Convention.

During the past year I received letters from Mr. Hugh Lewis, and Major Oakly, two generous and warm-hearted Union soldiers, who for the past few years have cared for the graves of one hundred and thirty-nine Confederate soldiers buried in Madison, Wis. For many years these gentlemen assisted Mrs. Alice Whiting Waterman in her work of love, and since her death they have continued to carry out her wishes. Mrs. Waterman was a native of Baton Rouge, La., but had her residence in Madison, Wis., for many years. Now that this noble and devoted Southern woman has been called to her reward, the

question arises as to the future care of the graves. These communications were referred to the Ladies Memorial Association of Alabama as the majority of the Soldiers were enlisted from that state. My attention was called also to the condition of these graves of the Confederate soldiers in Springfield, Illinois. In this case nothing can be done as it is a National Cemetery, whereas Forest Hill Cemetery in Madison, Wisconsin belongs to that city.

At the Memphis Reunion in 1901 a resolution was passed by the United Confederate Veterans looking to the care of the graves of Confederate soldiers in Northern Cemeteries, which seems to have settled this question, and as we honor these old battle-scarred veterans we should respect their judgment and leave this matter in their hands. It is our great privilege to care for the graves of those buried in the South and when we pass away our sons and daughters will take up our work of love and consider it a sacred heritage. I have endeavored to keep in touch with the different associations and by a general appeal sent out in January last as well as by personal letters, all were urged to devote their best efforts towards the fulfillment of the promise made at Louisville in 1900 to co-operate with the United Daughters of the Confederacy in the erection of a monument to the first and only President of the Confederate States of America. In 1881 Mr. Davis wrote his book "The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government" one of the most valuable works ever written on that subject. He honored the women of the Confederacy by dedicating this volume to them, in words that showed his appreciation of their loyalty and devotion. Is it not our duty now to honor his memory by contributing in every possible way towards the early comple-



tion of a monument which will proclaim to the world our loyalty to this great and noble man, who represented our cause so worthily, who suffered humiliation untold, and lost everything, health, fortune, all save honor?

There is a movement now on hand to have June 3 the anniversary of the birth of Jefferson Davis generally observed throughout the South as memorial Day, so that on that day which will be known as Confederate Memorial Day, the whole South will unite in doing honor to the memory of our heroic dead. Should this proposition be accepted by the United Confederate Veterans in convention here assembled it will go far towards the making of history by impressing on the children of the South the name and fame of the President of the short lived but Glorious Confederacy and will give a great significance to Confederate Memorial Day. I recommend this resolution to your favorable consideration. It is my painful duty to make known to you the death of Miss Moody White the able and zealous Treasurer of the Ladies Confederate Memorial Association of Knoxville, Tenn. The sympathy of this association is extended to her family and friends. We cannot but feel impressed by the death of the two distinguished veterans, General Young of Texas, and General Wade Hampton of South Carolina. The memory of their gallant deeds will live forever in the hearts of a faithful people.

I congratulate you again my friends and co-workers for your patriotic efforts in behalf of the cause we all love so well. I cannot close this address however without returning thanks to our Acting Treasurer Mrs. Jeff. D. Williams, who has faithfully fulfilled the duties of the office in the absence of Miss Gar-

side for the past year, to our Corresponding and Recording Secretaries for their valuable and very efficient services, and to one and all of the associations for their support and encouragement and I thank those present for their kind attention.

The Report of the Credential Committee was next in order and read by Mrs. W. A. Hurst, Chairman. The Credential Committee appointed by the Confederate Southern Memorial Association in Convention assembled present the following report. All Associations herein named are entitled to the following representations.

#### REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE, APRIL 22, 1902

Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, Augusta, Ga., Mrs. M. P. Carroll, Delegate.

Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, Baton Rouge, La., Mrs. W. A. Hurst, Delegate.

Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, Gainesville, Ala., Mrs. G. W. Hartsfield, Delegate.

Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, Gainesville, Ala., Mrs. D. H. Williams, Delegate.

Southern Memorial Association, Fayetteville, Ark., Mrs. J. D. Williams, Delegate.

Southern Memorial Association, Fayetteville, Ark., Mrs. Alf. Williams, Delegate.

Sterling Price Memorial Association, Jefferson City, Mo., Mrs. Mildred Standish, Delegate.

Sterling Price Memorial Association, Jefferson City, Mo., Mrs. Albert O. Allen, Delegate.

Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, Memphis, Tenn., Mrs. J. H. Humphreys, Delegate.

Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, Memphis, Tenn., Miss Anna Brown, Delegate.



Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, Montgomery, Ala., Mrs. A. G. Forbes, Delegate.

The Blandford Memorial Association, Mexico, Mo., Miss Belle Morris, Delegate.

Southern Mothers, Memphis, Tenn., Mrs. J. H. Humphreys, Delegate.

Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, New Orleans, La., Mrs. J. B. Richardson, Delegate.

Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, New Orleans, La., Mrs. Lewis Graham, Delegate.

Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, New Orleans, La., Mrs. H. C. Mackie, Alternate.

Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, New Orleans, La., Mrs. J. Watts Kearny, Alternate.

Ladies Confederate Memorial Association, Petersburg, Va., Mrs. W. F. Spottswood, Delegate.

Jefferson Davis Monument Chapter, New Orleans, La., Mrs. Newton Blanchard, Delegate.

Jefferson Davis Monument Chapter, New Orleans, Mrs. Jefferson Wier, Delegate.

Jefferson Davis Monument Chapter, New Orleans, La., Mrs. W. J. Behan, Alternate.

Jefferson Davis Monument Chapter, New Orleans, La., Mrs. W. W. Ward, Alternate.

The State Monument Association, Springfield, Mo., Mrs. W. J. Hayden, Delegate.

The State Monument Association, Springfield, Mo., Miss Winnie Hogan, Delegate.

Confederate Memorial Society of Missouri, St. Louis, Mo., Mrs. Leroy Valliant, Delegate.

Ross Memorial Association, Waco, Texas, Mrs. R. Hill, Delegate.

Ross Memorial Association, Waco, Texas, Mrs. C. A. Westbrook, Delegate.

Ross Memorial Association, Waco, Texas, Mrs. Hattie, Dunklin, Alternate.

Ross Memorial Association, Waco, Texas, Mrs. Tom Padgitt, Alternate

Mrs. W. A. Hurst, Chairman.

Mrs. J. B. Richardson.

Mrs. Jeff. D. Williams.

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Report of Corresponding Secretary, C. S. M. A., from May 30th, 1901 to April 22nd, 1902.

Madame President, and ladies of the Confederated Southern Memorial Association:

The report of the Corresponding Secretary must necessarily be brief, not that the work has been less, or less interest has been manifested among the associations; but one year's work is so similar to the preceding one, it would be but repetition to go over the duties of each. Many letters have been written, many received; and everything points to the encouraging belief that the Confederation idea has taken a strong hold upon the memorial Associations. It has revived interest in memorial work, and the associations not yet enrolled, are giving the matter careful, and we hope, favorable consideration. We are told that "one good thing added to another strengthens," therefore we would urge all to unite with the confederation to preserve their identity, to enjoy the pleasure and benefit derived from our Annual Convention, and to insure a place in history for the grand work accomplished through their labors.

It is impossible for the Corresponding Secretary to extend this invitation in a personal letter to all, for

the very good reason that many associations are so quiet and unobtrusive in their work, they are only heard of by accident, outside their own towns or states. Where even a probability exists of a memorial association, a card of inquiry is sent the Postmaster, twenty-six cards were sent out during the month of February, and a number of favorable responses resulted.

At the last Annual Convention held in Memphis, Tenn., the following distinguished Southern women were elected honorary members of the Confederation, Mrs. Jefferson Davis, Mrs. Stonewall Jackson, Mrs. D. H. Hill, Misses Mary and Mildred Lee, and Mrs. Francis Kirby Smith Wade. They were informed by the Secretary of the action of the C. S. M. A., and they gracefully expressed their appreciation of the honor conferred.

I would suggest that each association of the Confederation send quarterly to the Press correspondent some item of interest in connection with their local work, that she may furnish an article to the Confederate Veteran at least every three months, this giving to the public some idea of the work being done by Memorial Associations. Most of the letters received, show great interest in the erection of the monument to President Davis, and the Treasurer's report will show that this interest has been most fruitful.

Owing to increased membership in the Confederation, the subject of State Division is being discussed. It is thought such an arrangement will be expedient in those states having four or more associations enrolled in the general organization. Virginia, now has seven, with a probability of several others soon. Georgia has six, Missouri five, and most of the others

three or four each. Increase in members has naturally increased the work of the Corresponding Secretary and expenses incident thereto which are as follows: Received from Treasurer C. S. M. A.; from May 1st, 1901 to April 21st, 1902 the sum of \$12.00. Paid out for stationery and postage \$6.24. Expense on Official Stationery, \$1.00. Expense on packages Memphis Minutes, 90 cents. Telegram about convention, 86 cents. Typewriting notifications, \$3.00; total amount spent, \$12.00.

In the midst of our congratulations upon the success and progress of our organization and the pleasure of again seeing the familiar faces of officers and co-workers, the joyous greetings and expressions of good will, a minor note of sadness steals, and we are reminded that some who were with us at Louisville and Memphis will meet with us no more.

It was the sad duty of the Corresponding Secretary to extend the sympathy of the Confederation to the Knoxville, Tenn. Association upon the death of their beloved Treasurer, Miss Moody White which occurred January 13th. Some lives have in them a quality which may perhaps be compared to that secret of which the early Venetians knew the mystery. "Some secret of light, some sweet transparent coloring, a hidden treasure of hope shining through after shadow." Of such as these seemed the life of Miss Moody White. Her bright face and cordial manner will be sadly missed from our Annual Conventions. The remembrance of her devotion to memorial work will be an inspiration to us, and her death, an admonition to work while we are permitted to do so.

"We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not  
breaths;

In feeling, not in figures on a dial.

We should count time by heart throbs; He most lives

Who thinks most; feels the noblest; acts the best.

And he whose heart beats quickest lives the longest:

Life is but a means unto an end; that end.

Beginning, mean and end, to all things—God.

The dead have all the glory of the world."

SUE H. WALKER,

Corresponding Secretary C. S. M. A.

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY.

Soon after my return from Memphis, my attention was given to the preparation of the Minutes of the last convention, for publication. Not having a committee on Minutes for this work, I waited for a convenient time to consult with our President. This was accomplished late in the Spring, when the Minutes were put in the hands of a printer. When completed, copies were furnished to all officers of the Association. I am pleased to report that since our last Annual Convention, that the following Associations have been enrolled, and enjoy the fellowship of the C. S. M. Association.

The Blandford Memorial Association of Missouri.

The Cape Girardeau Memorial Association of Cape Girardeau, Mo.

The Nevada Memorial Association of Nevada, Mo.

The Ladies Memorial Association of Columbus, Ga.

The Ladies Memorial Association of Waynesborough, Ga.

The Lynchburg Confederate Memorial Association of Lynchburg, Va.

Respectfully submitted,

DAISY M. L. HODGSON, Secretary.

Owing to the absence of the Treasurer from the Convention, the President with the consent of the Convention deferred the reading of the Treasurer's annual report until the next session, When Mrs. Williams could be present.

A letter from Mrs. N. V. Randolph, accompanied by a report from the Central Committee of the Davis Monument Fund, Richmond, Va., was read after which, the following motion was made. "That the reading of the report be deferred until the next session of the Convention. Carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lewis Graham that the President fill the vacancies on the Badge Committee; this motion was carried with the appointment of Mrs. J. B. Richardson as Chairman; Mrs. H. H. Ward and Mrs. W. A. Hurst.

Annual reports of Associations being next in order, the Secretary read the report of the Junior Hollywood Memorial Association, prefaced by the following letter.

RICHMOND VA., April 12, 1902.

Miss Daisy M. L. Hodgson:

Dear Madam—As it is highly improbable that any of the members of our Association will attend the Dallas Reunion, I herein enclose a report of our year's work, to be read at the business meeting of the Association. Wishing for you and the Association a most successful occasion at Dallas,

I am very cordially yours,

MARY C. CRENSHAW,

Rec. Sec'y H. M. Ass'n.



The report of the Junior Hollywood Memorial Association was followed by the Junior Confederate Memorial Association of New Orleans, La., and the report of the Oakwood Association of Richmond, Va., read by Mrs. Lewis Graham. The Wilcox Co. Memorial Association of Camden, Ala., read by the Secretary.

A motion was made that all reports of Memorial Associations be sent to the "Lost Cause" as well as the "Veteran." Carried.

The report of the State Monument Association of Springfield, Mo., was presented by Mrs. W. J. Hayden, delegate from the Association.

The report of the Raton Rouge Memorial Association of Baton Rouge, La., was read by Mrs. W. A. Hurst, delegate.

The report from the Memorial Association of Montgomery, Ala., was read by Mrs. A. G. Forbes, delegate.

The report of the Ladies' Confederate Memorial Association of New Orleans, La., was read by Mrs. Jno. B. Richardson, delegate.

The report of the Book Committee of Histories of Memorial Association was read by Mrs. Lewis Graham, chairman of the committee who gave extracts for the proposed compendium. The prospectus was beautifully bound in red and white, and highly satisfactory to the Convention. Mrs. Graham stated that any changes or suggestions would be agreeable to the committee, and that they request same from Associations, all of which will have the privilege of preparing their own history for said book. There will be a most interesting edition of the Southern Memorial Association and their work. They will be sold at \$1.00 each. Report accepted, and the com-

mittee was requested to hold the volume open until all the Associations in the C. S. M. Association could have an opportunity to prepare their histories, and to endeavor to have same ready for the next Convention.

The President called for the report of the Badge Committee, several new designs having been submitted. A recess was requested by the chairman so that the committee could make a careful examination of designs and prices.

It was decided to adjourn till 2 p. m. Wednesday for business, and that the officers and delegates meet at the Oriental Hotel at 9 a. m. Wednesday to attend in a body the United Confederate Veterans' Convention. Adjournment.

DAISY M. L. HODGSON, Sec'y.

## Second Day.

GEN. STEPHEN D. LEE'S HEADQUARTERS,  
Oriental Hotel, Dallas, Tex., April 23 1902. }

An official notice was received by the President of the the C. S. M. Association, at Oriental Hotel, announcing the hour on programme when the delegates to the C. S. M. Association would be received at United Confederate Veterans' Convention hall, as changed from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. This change decided the delegates to hold a session at the hotel, which was made possible by the courtesy of Gen. Stephen D. Lee, who placed his headquarters at the disposal of the convention. Announcement of the meeting having been made, the Convention was called to order about 10 a. m. and led in prayer by the President. The Secretary called the roll, a quorum being present, the minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

The Confederate Memorial Society of Missouri requested the privilege of presenting a greeting to the Convention. The courtesy of the floor was granted, when Miss Celeste Prim read the following:

### GREETING OF ST. LOUIS, MO.

It is well that distances, like deeds, are relative, else (by the map) it would seem a far cry from the Mississippi to the Rio Grande. It is passing well that one "touch of nature," one shared enthusiasm, one chord of memory, can annihilate the material and touch into kinship forces and feelings that otherwise might have lain as far asunder as these two great rivers.

And so to-day the Confederate Memorial Society

of Missouri, through her representatives, realizes no stretch of distance between Texas and Missouri; not as "strangers within the gates" do they stand.

From out of the past comes a memory of a sacred cause for the sake of which Texas sent her bravest and to which Missouri gave her best. On many a battle field did Texas and Missouri clasp hands; on many a camp-ground did the sons of the two States share food and drink; and many a pale moon has looked down upon the upturned faces of hundreds, yea, thousands, of their sons, side by side, still and calm in the awful brotherhood of death.

And that which links us to Texas; that which makes of distance nothing, and of time but a breath, binds alike the sons and daughters of thirteen States—to-day a memory, two score years ago a Cause to which men gave their lives, and their fortunes, the delights of their homes, the joys of their children, and the sweet environments of peace. Two score years ago frail women sent to the cannon's mouth the men they loved, the sons they had borne; without a murmur they stayed behind, and in their souls bore the hardest brunt of war, the agony of waiting, the agony of praying, the agony of suspense.

The two score years have gone into history, but it is for the Confederate memorial organizations of to-day to keep that history the record of truth; to preserve for those whose lives will begin far beyond the memory of the Cause the true and living story of that for which their ancestors fought and died, that no son or daughter of future generations may ever doubt the nobility of spirit, or the purity of motive which inspired the men who wore the gray, and fought the bravest fight of the world against the greatest odds.

And so, because we are one in this Cause to do justice and perpetuate truth, we bring you greeting, a loving, lingering greeting, like the hand-clasp of friends whose very heart-beats throb sincerity, and whose loyalty flows from the innermost depths of their nature to the close, warm hold of their fingertips.

FRANCES S. PORCHER, Chairman.

After which the taking up of reports was continued.

The Blandford Memorial Association gave a verbal report through its delegate, Miss Belle Morris, all of which was most interesting.

The report of the Sterling Price Memorial Association of Jefferson City, Mo., was then read.

The Ross Memorial Association of Waco, Texas, presented by Mrs. R. H. Hill, delegate, made application from the floor for membership. The application blank certified to, and the credentials having been presented, Mrs. Hill requested that the Association be admitted to the C. S. M. Association, saying: Though but a babe in your most worthy and beloved Association, we as representatives of the only Texas organization on your roll, wish to extend to you the cordial and heartfelt welcome of our great State. Texas opens her arms to you, the Daughters of our beloved Confederacy, and would gather you to her great heart in one loving embrace, united by the bonds of the most sacred Sisterhood. What more glorious and sacred duty could be undertaken by the women of the South than the erection of enduring monuments to the most glorious heroes of the world's history. Let us teach our children around our fire-sides,

"That the men who wore the gray  
Were the bravest, grandest heroes  
History can show to day."

"Though outnumbered, conquered never."

Texas would press you to her bosom, beloved sisters of the Confederacy, in one glad, joyous welcome, and bid you Godspeed in your beautifully patriotic and glorious work.

The Texas Association was given a warm welcome by the President and Convention, and regularly enrolled by the Secretary.

The report of the Ladies Memorial Association of Gainesville, Ala., was presented by Mrs. D. H. Williams, followed by the report of the Ladies Memorial Association of Augusta, Ga., which was read by Mrs. M. P. Carroll, delegate from that Association.

The report of the Confederate Memorial Association of Missouri was read by Mrs. Phil Chew.

The report of the Ladies Confederate Memorial Association of Memphis, Tenn., was read by Miss Anna Brown, delegate.

Report of Ladies Memorial Association of Gainesville, Ala., read by Mrs. D. H. Williams.

The "Dixie Resolution," a pretty creation suggested by a passing band playing "Dixie," was made by Mrs. M. P. Carroll, of Augusta, Ga., seconded by several delegates, and with great enthusiasm was unanimously carried, "That whenever the members of Memorial Associations hear "Dixie" played that they rise, and if in convention, that they suspend business for a few moments."

The annual report of the Treasurer of the C. S. M. Association was then read.



## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

Confederated Southern Memorial Association.

From May, 1901, to April, 1902.

Balance on hand May, 1901.....\$190 95

## RECEIPTS.

Annual dues from 26 Associations (1901) ..... 52 00

" " " 26 " (1902) ..... 14 00

For Davis Monument from Blandford Memorial Association, Mexico, Mo ..... 3 00

For publication of Histories of Mem. Ass'n ..... 65 00

For Davis Monument ..... 728 20

Total .....\$1,053 15

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to C.— Pub. Co. (Mrs. Lewis Graham)....\$ 65 00

Paid to treasurer Central Committee of Davis Monument, Richmond, Va..... 728 20

Paid to Col. J. B. Richardson of N. O., La., from fund for removal of Confederate dead ..... 25 00

Paid by order of S. M. Soulat from fund for removal of Confederate dead ..... 5 00

By order of J. T. Block, of N. Virginia, from fund for removal of Confederate dead..... 25 00

By order of Mrs. Chas. G. Wright, of Vicksburg, Miss., from fund for removal of Confederate dead ..... 25 00

Total .....\$873 20

## EXPENDITURES.

June 3, 1901, Stationery and stamps.....\$ 20

" 12, 1901, " " ..... 1 25

" 24, To Corresponding Secretary ..... 94

" 24, To " " ..... 4 06

" 24, Badges..... 10 80

" 24, Daily Picayune Stamps ..... 1 50

Jan. 28, Searcy &amp; Pfaff, of New Orleans, for 500 copies of Constitution and By-Laws.... 18 00

Mar. 18, To Cor. Sec'y express and stat'y..... 1 00

Mar. 22, Corresponding Sec'y, stamps ..... 1 06

Mar. 29, Typewriter notices ..... 3 00

Mar. 29, Corresponding Sec'y, stamps..... 2 15

Mar. 29, Telegram ..... 85

Total .....\$ 44 75

To balance on hand May, 1901 ..... 190 95

Amount received to April, 1902 ..... 862 20

\$1,053 15

917 95

Balance on hand April, 1902 .....\$135 20

MRS. JEFFERSON WILLIAMS,  
Acting Treasurer.

The annual Report of the Treasurer was accepted.

The report of the Memorial Association of Fayetteville, Ark., was presented by Mrs. Jeff. D. Williams, delegate.

Mrs. Lewis Graham, of New Orleans, after speaking of a number of deeds worthy of emulation done by Mrs. Leroy Valliant, of St. Louis, Mo., a noble woman of the South and its beloved Cause, moved that a vote of thanks be tendered Mrs. Leroy Val-

liant, and that a page in the history of the women and their work be set aside for her. Mrs. Valliant responded in a gracious manner and expressed her warm appreciation of the recognition for what she had deemed her duty and pleasure.

The report of the Ladies Memorial Association of Petersburg, Va., was read by the Secretary.

Many delegates having reached Dallas Tuesday, too late to hear the report of the Book Committee on Memorial Histories, the President requested the chairman, Mrs. Lewis Graham, to present her report again, as it was one of the important matters to be completed at this Convention.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF HISTORIES OF  
MEMORIAL ASSOCIATIONS, APRIL, 1902.

Mrs. Leroy B. Valliant, St. Louis, Mo .....	\$50 00
Oakwood Memorial Ass'n, Richmond, Va.....	5 00
Southern Memorial Ass'n, Fayetteville, Ark....	5 00
Ladies Memorial Ass'n, Petersburg, Va .....	3 00
Ladies Confederate Memorial Ass'n, Knoxville, Tenn .....	5 00
Ladies Confederate Memorial Ass'n, Vicksburg, Miss .....	5 00
Ladies Memorial Ass'n, Raleigh, N. C.....	5 00
Ladies Memorial Ass'n, Baton Rouge, La.....	5 00
Ladies Memorial Ass'n, Pensacola, Fla.....	10 00

Total .....

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Respectfully submitted,

MRS. LEWIS GRAHAM, Chairman.

The Secretary stated that the minutes of the Association had been published for two years at the expense of the President, and that it would be well to take up this matter for consideration.

A motion was made and carried that the C. S. M. Association pay for the expense of printing its minutes and the stationery necessary.

A motion made by Mrs. Leroy Valliant, seconded by Mrs. J. B. Richardson, that the C. S. M. Association endorse the following resolution of the U. C. M.

A motion was made by Mrs. Leroy B. Valliant, that each Association of the Confederate Southern Memorial Association, pledge itself to send Three Dollars to the Secretary, to secure a meeting room convenient to the headquarters of the United Confederate Veterans, for meeting place of Confederate Southern Memorial Association. Adopted.

A motion made by Mrs. W. A. Hurst, that the Confederate Southern Memorial Association request a stronger representation on the Executive Board of the Central Committee of the Jefferson Davis Monument Association. Unanimously carried.

"In order that our children may be fully instructed in all that pertains to the Rise and Fall of the Southern Confederacy and that the date of the birth of its first and only President be indelibly impressed on their minds and hearts, and generally observed with appropriate ceremonies, be it

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Ladies Memorial Ass'n, Pensacola, Fla..... 10 00

Total .....\$93 00

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. LEWIS GRAHAM, Chairman.

The Secretary stated that the minutes of the Association had been published for two years at the expense of the President, and that it would be well to take up this matter for consideration.

A motion was made and carried that the C. S. M. Association pay for the expense of printing its minutes and the stationery necessary.

A motion made by Mrs. Leroy Valliant, seconded by Mrs. J. B. Richardson, that the C. S. M. Association endorse the following resolution of the L. C. M. Association of New Orleans, and that they join in the petition to the United Confederate Veterans, "that the 3rd day of June, the anniversary of the birth of Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States of America, be adopted as Southern Memorial Day. Said resolution to go into effect on 3 of June, 1903."

Mrs. Lewis Graham offered an amendment to this resolution, that the Convention of the C. S. M. Association accept the voice of the United Confederate Veterans by adopting it provisionally.

The amendment was accepted and the motion unanimously carried.

A suggestion was made by Mrs. Graham that all Associations, so far as possible, pay the expenses of their delegates so that the C. S. M. Association might have a full representation at all Conventions, and the Corresponding Secretary communicate with the railroad officials and endeavor to secure passes for delegates.

Resolution on June 3rd sent to United Confederate Veterans relative to Confederate Memorial Day:

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Resolved, That the United Confederate Veterans in Convention assembled at Dallas, Texas, do ratify



and adopt the resolution as passed by the Ladies Confederate Memorial Association of New Orleans, La., making June 3rd universal Memorial Day throughout the South. Said resolution to go into effect on June 3, 1903."

Adopted provisionally that the U. C. Veterans adopt it in Convention assembled. Carried.

The report of the Central Committee of the U. D. C. was then read.

#### REPORT OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE, U. D. C.

To the President and members of the Confederate Southern Memorial Association in convention assembled: In sending in my report I must preface it with greetings and regrets, that illness in my family prevents my being with you. The Treasurer's report will show \$4000 in bank, drawing 3 per cent. interest, \$2000 of this collected in the last two years. The Board of Directors pledges to raise this amount to \$50,000 even hoping and believing that it would be \$75,000, but we have not been able to make the people of the South feel that this monument is a duty we owe to Mr. Davis, and the Cause he represented.

We have sent out appeals asking for contributions: no matter how small enclosing stamped envelopes, and in most cases, not even an answer has been received. Have been in person to the Reunions, and in the enthusiasm of the meetings, pledges have been made, and promises given, never to be fulfilled. The Board of Directors met in Richmond last November and after driving to all points suggested for the monument, and after due deliberation and discussion, chose the site and the form for this memorial. The Memorial Arch was chosen because the monument was to be erected not only to the man who led, but

to the men who followed. A Memorial Arch, because what is the Southern Confederacy and her only President to us gray haired women, but a memory, and love makes memory eternal. The North has her triumphs and her Decoration Day. The South has her Cause, not the Fate of that Cause that is glorious and her Memorial Day. The site was chosen in beautiful historic Richmond, where even the ground is holy, made so by the sacred memories of the Southern Confederacy, and her chosen representatives; around this spot cluster the thought of their short lived glory. We had hoped to dedicate this Memorial Arch in 1903, but have not received contributions enough to enable us to put up one suitable to the Cause. We would ask that a contribution or an entertainment of some kind to be held on June 3rd throughout the South, to be sent to the Treasurer Mrs. Edgar Taylor; do not let us stop work for one moment. We thank you for your hearty and generous support and if you have any suggestions to make, which might enable us to add to the funds in hand, it will be gratefully received by.

Yours most truly,

MRS. N. V. RANDOLPH,  
Chairman Central Committee.

The reading of this report brought about some discussion as to the form of monument to be erected to Mr. Davis. A motion was made by Mrs. Lewis Graham "that the C. S. M. Ass'n leave the discussion of the Memorial Arch to be erected at Richmond, Va., to Jefferson Davis, to the Directors of the C. S. M. Ass'n at the next meeting of the Executive Board, and that it was the intent and purpose of the Association in raising its funds, that the monument be

for Jefferson Davis alone, as President of the Southern Confederacy and no other issue be complicated with this one idea. This motion was unanimously carried.

The President called for the report of the Badge Committee, when a recess was asked for, so that the Committee would make a careful examination of all designs, and prices submitted. It was then decided to adjourn to meet Thursday, at Cumberland Presbyterian Church 10 a. m.

DAISY M. L. HODGSON,  
Secretary.

## ✧Third Day.✧

### MORNING SESSION.

DALLAS, TEX., 10 A. M., April 24, 1902.

Convention called to order and led in prayer by the President. Roll call. Quorum present. Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

A communication was received from Mr. Knauss, of Columbus, Ohio, the gentleman who has cared for the Confederate graves at Camp Chase for fifteen years, requesting that all Memorial Associations send flowers from the Southland to be placed on the graves of Confederate soldiers buried at that place, where a monument to their memory will be unveiled on June 4, 1902.

Resolution offered by Mrs. R. H. Hill that the C. S. M. Association send some message of appreciation to the widow of the late President McKinley recognizing his beautiful tribute to our soldiers of the South. Carried.

The President reported that \$77.00, part of the fund subscribed for the the removal of Confederate dead from Northern to Southern cemeteries, as still in the hands of the Treasurer of the Association. She desires the Convention to make some disposition of same.

A motion was made that it be used for marking of graves of Confederate soldiers when opportunities are offered the C. S. M. Association. Carried.

This resolution was followed by a motion giving the Southern Memorial Association five dollars from the Louisiana contribution for the removal of Confederate dead to be devoted to the making of graves in the Louisiana Section in the Fayetteville, Ark., Cemetery. Carried.

Mrs. Lewis Graham then requested the privilege of presenting the Southern Mothers of Memphis, Tenn., as members of the C. S. M. Association, whose history antedates all memorial associations. I know it gives pleasure to welcome them as members. The President received them with beautiful words of commendation.

It was announced that the United Confederate Veterans' parade was about to pass when a motion was made that the Convention adjourn for an hour or more, so that the delegates might have the privilege of enjoying the parade.

DAISY M. L. HODGSON, Sec'y.

#### ADJOURNED MEETING.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,  
Dallas, Tex., April 24, 1902, 2:30 p.m. }

After the parade had passed the Convention was called to order. Quorum present. Reading of reports continued.

The report of the Ladies' Confederate Memorial Association of Raleigh, N. C., was read by Mrs. R. H. Hill, of Waco, Texas.

The report of the Ladies' Confederate Memorial Association of Macon, Ga., was read by Miss Mary H. Benning, delegate.

A number of letters from associations were read bearing on the change of Southern Memorial Day from various dates to 3rd day of June, when all, as far as possible, can observe one general day.

Mrs. R. H. Hill was given the courtesy of the floor and requested to recite, so that the delegates might enjoy her poem on Texas History. After the recital

of same a motion was made by the chairman of the Committee on Histories that Mrs. Hill be requested to contribute her poem as a beautiful and appropriate addition to the records of memorial women. Unanimously carried.

Report of the Junior Hollywood Memorial Association was then read by Mrs. Lewis Graham.

Report of the Confederate Memorial Literary Society of Richmond, Va., was read by the Secretary.

A motion made by Mrs. R. H. Hill that the reports as far as possible be type written and made concise, so that all Associations may present reports at each Convention. Carried.

The report of the Jefferson Davis Monument Chapter of New Orleans was read by the Secretary.

A motion was made that the Badge Committee defer its final report, and that the badge be decided upon at the next Convention, giving all associations time to present designs and estimates. Carried.

The President, Mrs. W. J. Behan announced that the election of officers would take place at the next Convention, at New Orleans, La., the present officers having been elected for three (3) years.

The following report of Committee on Resolutions was read by Mrs. Lewis Graham, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolution of condolence to the family of our late lamented sister, Miss Moody White, whom an All-Wise Providence has removed from our councils in the budding of her usefulness.

Resolved, That this convention unanimously adopt the resolutions as passed by the Ladies Confederate Memorial Association of New Orleans, and by the United Confederate Veterans in convention as-



sembled at Dallas to make June 3rd universal Memorial Day throughout the South.

Resolved, That we extend thanks to Mrs. Katie Cabell Currie and the Dallas Reunion committee; also to the officers of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, for this most beautiful place provided for our meetings.

Resolved, That we return thanks to Dean Stuck of St. Matthew's Cathedral for the most solemn opening of our convention in the memorial exercises to Mr. Davis; to Bishop Garrett for his oration, and to the choir, for its beautiful contribution of song.

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to Col. Wm. H. Knauss of Columbus, Ohio, for his tender and generous care of the graves of 2200 Confederate soldiers buried at Camp Chase, and also for the kind invitation to attend the ceremony of the unveiling of the monument erected to the memory of the Confederate dead buried at Camp Chase.

Resolved. That we extend our sense of deep appreciation to Gen. Geo. Moorman, Adj. Gen'l. and Chief of Staff United Confederate Veterans for his services and kindly helpfulness in all the arrangements for our Convention as well as to Gen. Stephen D. Lee, for the use of his parlors.

MRS. LOUISE BENTON, Chairman.

MRS. W. J. HAYDEN.

MISS BELLE MORRIS.

The reading of reports having been finished, all business disposed of, the official announcement made that the Convention of the C. S. M. Ass'n would be held in New Orleans, La., during the Reunion of the U. C. Veterans when the President declared the Convention adjourned.

DAISY M. L. HODGSON, Secretary.